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**PATENT
CASE NO. 56/351**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application:)
Robert Wasthuber et al.)
Serial No.: 09/884,858) Group Art Unit: 2663
Filed: June 18, 2001)
For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR)
SERIAL DATA TRANSMISSION)
BETWEEN A POSITION)
MEASURING SYSTEM AND)
A PROCESSING UNIT)

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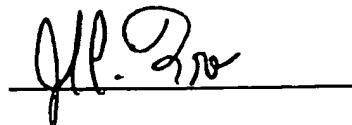
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On June 18, 2001 Applicants filed the above-mentioned patent application. To date, Applicants have not received any action on the merits regarding the above-identified application. Accordingly, Applicant request that the status of the above-identified application be given including

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Respectfully submitted,



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Robert Wastlhuber et al.

Appln. No.: 09/884,858

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Art Unit: 2631

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR SERIAL DATA
TRANSMISSION BETWEEN A POSITION
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